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Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [a569]

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## BIRTHS.

On the 24th January, at Bangkok, the wife of  
M. A. Sire, Director, Banque de l'Indo-Chine, of  
a son.On the 7th February, at No. 258, Bluff, Yoko-  
hama, the wife of EDWARD J. COWAN, of a daughter.

## MARRIAGE.

On the 18th February, at the Peak Church,  
Hongkong, by the Rev. F. T. Johnson, M.A.,  
Major ALFRED W. BEWLEY, R.A., to JEAN KNOX,  
younger daughter of JAMES WOODS, New York,  
U.S.A.

## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VIEUX ROAD, CL.  
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 20th February, 1903.

It is now about ten weeks ago since we  
wrote concerning the practically hopeless  
state of the China tea-trade, lamenting that  
a great opportunity for bringing about a  
return to popular favour of China tea  
seems now to have been entirely lost. As  
far as British taste is concerned, the  
southern teas, at once cheaper and coarser,  
have established a firm hold; and it seems  
as if the rest of the world is about to follow  
Britain's example. We have during the  
past year received numerous communications  
from Mr. E. J. Moss of Foochow, with  
reference to an attempt to restore the  
position of China tea, but as most of these  
have concerned the tea-dealers almost  
exclusively we have not hitherto alluded to them. There are, however, a great many  
people, apart from those actually engaged  
in the tea-trade, who would much regret to  
see the extinction of China tea as a  
commodity in the world's market, and we  
think therefore that it will not be inappropriate  
to give a little space in these columns  
to some of the points brought out in Mr.  
Moss's latest circular. This gentleman some-  
times has proposed a scheme for advertising  
China tea more extensively than hitherto,  
which though generally supported at Foo-  
chow failed to secure the backing hoped for  
further north. With the details of the  
scheme we have no concern here. The mostinteresting point is the extent to which  
advertising has helped to increase the  
figures of the teas which compete with those  
of China. According to Mr. Moss's  
figures, the exports of Indian tea in 1896-7  
amounted to 145,671,967 lbs, and in 1900-1  
to 183,302,626 lbs. In the former of these  
years the exports of tea from Hankow,  
Shanghai, Foochow, and Canton amounted  
to 38,198,939 lbs.; in the latter, to  
25,034,775 lbs., while in 1902-3 not quite  
complete figures showed an export of  
19,016,429 lbs. only from the four China  
ports. But the Ceylon figures are even  
more startling in comparison with those of  
China. In 1887 Ceylon only exported  
13,800,545 lbs. of tea. Mounting rapidly,  
the figures reached in 1896, 103,141,412 lbs.,  
and in 1901 no less than 145,188,244 lbs.,  
not to mention another 1,110,744 lbs. of  
green tea. Now, of course, there are other  
factors beside advertising which have  
contributed to bring this result about. But  
who can doubt that the very vigorous  
pushing of the southern teas has produced  
a great effect? One striking advertisement  
has lately been circulated freely in Ger-  
many calling attention to the "disgusting,"  
"filthy," "primitive," "antiquated" way  
in which tea is prepared in China, in  
contrast to the clean and modern methods  
of Ceylon. The advertisement says:—  
"We in Germany drink hardly anything  
but China tea owing to old custom, but  
people would not stick to it obstinately if  
they had any idea of the improper manner  
in which the leaves are prepared by the  
Chinese, who as everybody knows have no  
idea of cleanliness." Can it be imagined  
that such statements have no effect in a  
country which has hitherto supported China  
teas? It hardly looks possible for the  
apparently dying China tea-trade to fight  
with success against the wealth and com-  
petition of its rivals. Yet those who prefer  
the more refined flavour and healthier  
qualities of good China tea cannot but view  
with regret the absolute victory of the  
southern article.The Janet Waldorf Dramatic Company was  
due to play in Tokyo for three days, beginning  
on the 18th inst.Ladrones are reported active again in Leyte,  
P.I.The Janet Waldorf Dramatic Company was  
due to play in Tokyo for three days, beginning  
on the 18th inst.A chance now offers for pigeon fanciers to  
add to their coats. Police-Sergeant Mac-  
Swain, whose birds won all the prizes at the  
recent show in the Kowloon Hotel, desires to  
sell his pigeons, and awaits offers.A meeting of those interested in polo in  
Bangkok was held at the British Legation  
there on the 5th inst. It was decided to  
form a club to be called the Bangkok  
Polo Club and to get 10 China ponies from  
Hongkong. All of these are already bespoiled.  
The following were elected the committee of  
the new Club:—Mr. Paget (president), Mr.  
Gibbons, W. A. G. Tilleke, and Mr. H. A.  
Macintyre (hon. sec.)H.M. coast-boat destroyers *Virago* and  
*Sparrowhawk*, now on the Pacific Station, are  
to come to the China Station shortly. H.M.S.  
*Amphion* conveying them to Honolulu and one  
of the cruisers now out here from Honolulu to  
Manila. The *Virago* and *Sparrowhawk* were  
both built at Birkenhead in 1896 and are of  
300 tons displacement, 6,000 i.h.p., and 30.13  
knots an hour speed. They carry one 12 pr.  
and five 6 pr. guns and two torpedo-tubes.A destructive fire, supposed to have been the  
work of incendiaries, is reported from Calumpit,  
Bulacan, P.I., on the 15th inst. 140 houses  
were destroyed and 700 Filipinos rendered  
homeless. A high wind fanned the flames and  
only the timely arrival of the 5th U.S. Infantry  
prevented them spending to Manila. Another  
conflagration occurred on the same day in the  
Tondo district, Manila, 30 houses being destruc-  
ted and about \$10,000 worth of damage done.A highly successful and interesting ceremony  
took place to-day, says the *Bangkok Times* of  
the 5th inst., when the new Mint, which has  
been erected at considerable expense and fully  
equipped with the most modern machinery, was  
opened by the Minister of Finance, H.R.H.  
Prince Mahisara, in presence of a large gathering  
of officials and others. Yesterday the  
religious rites were carried out by ten priests.  
Prince Mahisara was conducted to the engine-  
room, where he started the largest engine, and  
this set the machinery in motion. The Mint  
was afterwards set to work, and is now in active  
operation.The *Manila Cablenews* says:—If Congress  
fails to pass a stable currency bill for the  
Philippines, Mexican currency will receive a strong  
stimulus and may soar to old time prices. This  
is the dictum of a prominent banker, who be-  
lieves that currency legislation is doomed for  
this session. It is intimated that the influence  
of the Minister of Finance, H.R.H.  
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interesting individuals are forswearing drink  
with an alacrity which seems to show  
conclusively that there is, after all, some value  
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great statesman "grandmotherly legislation."It is stated that the company which is building  
a railroad between the towns of Gui-  
quinto and Cabanatuan in the Philippines has  
offered the services of two thousand  
Japanese labourers. It is not stated how these  
labourers are to be furnished unless some law is  
made that will allow them to be brought into  
the Philippine Islands. It will be remembered  
what a fight the jinrikisha company made to  
import ricksha coolies into the Philippines,  
without success.The *Brough Company* gave their third per-  
formance of *Are you a Mason?* at the Theatre  
Royal last night to a well-filled house. The  
fare was, as on its two previous productions  
much appreciated by the audience and kept  
them in constant merriment right through the  
performance. All the parts were admirably  
sustained by the talented artists, who were  
repeatedly applauded. The fourth and last  
performance of this piece will be given this  
evening, when those who have not seen it will  
do well to avail themselves of the opportunity  
if they wish to have a few hours of pleasant  
amusement.To-morrow night Mr. Brough will present  
Capt. Marshall's military comedy *The Second in  
Command*. Playgoers in touch with theatrical  
matters in London need not be reminded that  
the new work was an enormous success at the  
Haymarket Theatre, where, under the manage-  
ment of Messrs. Harrison and Muode, it held  
the public for upwards of two years. Mr.  
Brough purchased the acting rights of the play  
for Australia and the East, and when doing so,  
gave an order to the eminent London costumiers,  
Messrs. L. & H. Nathan, who designed and  
executed everything for the Haymarket produc-  
tion, that uniforms and dresses were to be  
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porting from a Manila paper:—The notorious  
character known as "Beno Liz" an old offi-  
cer and one who has made frequent appearances  
before the police courts of this city was arrested  
last evening and lodged in the Santa Cruz  
station. The crime charged against her is one  
upon she has had several sessions with the  
judge before. She had played the races and  
after making a winning start in to fill up on  
bambu juice and paint the district of Santa  
Cruz a crimson hue. After clearing the street  
she decided that the sun was dangerously hot,  
and used her skirt for a sun bonnet. She was  
parading in genuine Edenic fashion when she  
was apprehended by one of Manila's finest and  
after a short argument, she was persuaded to  
take up lodgings at the station for the night.  
Judge Liddell will be given an opportunity to  
wrestle with the case this morning and solve  
its intricacies.With reference to the Delhi assault case,  
which we mentioned the other day, a telegram  
dated Allahabad, February 1st, says:—Orders  
have been passed by Mr. Craik, Assistant  
Commissioner, Delhi, in the case in which a  
private of the Welsh Regiment was charged  
with having caused fatal injuries to a native  
police sergeant on the 9th January. The  
Magistrate believed the statements of the  
police that death was due to a blow on the body  
from a stone, as the medical evidence was  
against such a view. He held, however, that  
there was an affray in consequence of a police  
raid on gambling places near the Ridge, and  
that Jaconson had probably struggled with the  
deceased in the excitement of the moment in  
order to avoid arrest. The cause of death was  
rupture of the spleen, which the post-mortem  
examination showed to be three and a half times  
its normal size. The accused, who was  
professedly a brief and clear account of  
the history of the currency question. Messrs.  
Kelly & Welch have a few copies left.Now that many in Hongkong are studying  
the currency question, it will be of some interest  
to mention a pamphlet on this subject  
published in Shanghai in 1897—*"The Silver  
Question in China and the Fluctuations of  
Prices."* It was compiled by Mr. Volpicelli,  
then Hon. Librarian of the China Branch of  
the Royal Asiatic Society, on the data given in  
answer to questions addressed by the Society to  
residents in different parts of the interior of  
China. Over 5,000 prices, distributed over 10  
years and 10 different provinces, were first  
tabulated as index numbers (according to Sauer-  
beck's system), and then served to form  
diagrams with coloured lines for commodities,  
silver and gold—the monetary standard of course  
being mostly cash. These laborious results  
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confer on Mr. F. N. Dressing—for some months  
past Superintendent of the Great Northern  
Telegraph Co. at Nagasaki—the sixth Class of  
the Order of the Rising Sun, in recognition of  
services rendered during the Japan-China War  
and on subsequent occasions.[The Singapore Free Press of the 10th inst.  
says:—The Russian fleet bound eastward is not  
due here to-day, nor in the immediate future,  
nor perhaps at all, as it will coal at Pusan Weh  
and not at Singapore. On very good authority  
it is reported that the fleet has been detained in  
the Mediterranean, in anticipation possibly  
of complications in Macedonia.A despatch from Foochow reports that  
Viceroy Hsu Ying-kuei has been so successful in  
producing large quantities of superior smokeless  
powder that he has ordered the early construction  
of a gun-foundry in the vicinity of the  
powder-works. For this purpose fourteen  
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matters in London need not be reminded that  
the new work was an enormous success at the  
Haymarket Theatre, where, under the manage-  
ment of Messrs. Harrison and Muode, it held  
the public for upwards of two years. Mr.  
Brough purchased the acting rights of the play  
for Australia and the East, and when doing so,  
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## SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, 19th February.

## IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR WILLIAM M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

THE DIOCESAN SCHOOL BURGLARY.

Wong Hing, Chan Hui Yau and Kam I were charged with burglariously entering the Diocesan Girls' School and assaulting the superintendent and one of the teachers on 2nd January, also with attempt to strangle.

They pleaded not guilty.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. W. A. Stosani, J. Lcock, A. E. de S Alves, E. J. Raymond, W. O. C. Spalchauer, A. Shefield, and A. G. de Rocha.

The Attorney-General Sir Henry S. Berkeley conducted the prosecution (instructed by Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor). In opening the case the Attorney-General said the offence charged against the prisoners was of a most serious description. They were charged with having in the dead of night entered the Diocesan Girls' School with intent to commit a burglary and with having, in order to effect their purpose, violently assaulted two or three of the ladies who were in charge of that institution. The School was presided over by Miss Skipton, assisted by Miss Hawker and others. At an early hour in the morning of the 2nd of January Miss Skipton was asleep in her bedroom on the first floor when she was awakened by feeling somebody clutching her throat. She attempted to scream for assistance but was unable to do so on account of the extreme pressure put upon her throat. While being thus assaulted she heard her teacher, Miss Hawker, calling for help. After a time the man who was holding Miss Skipton let go his hold of her throat. Thereupon the roused school children, who ran for assistance, then she went outside on to the verandah where Miss Hawker was. There was a man trying to come in over the balustrade but Miss Hawker pushed him back. At the same time Miss Skipton was awakened, Miss Hawker was awakened by a light in her room. She called out, and the light was extinguished. Then she heard Miss Skipton calling for assistance. She was proceeding to Miss Skipton's room when she met a man who seized her by the throat and threw her down. After a time he left. Meanwhile, one of the pupils, Anna-h Moore, who had been awakened along with the others, came out on to the verandah and saw a Chinaman on his hands and knees between Miss Skipton's and Miss Hawker's rooms. The young lady seized him, punched him, got hold of his cue; but she was not strong enough, and he got away. She had enough contact with him, however, to say he had a thick coat and a cap on. One of the prisoners, the second, had been formerly employed at the School as a cook's mate and knew the premises. When the ladies went downstairs they found that glass door in the dining-room had been broken, so as to make an aperture sufficiently large to permit of the entrance of the body of a man. A drawer in the dining-room table had been broken open and its contents were scattered about. There were marks of candle-grease and bloodstains about the place. On the verandah were found several pieces of tape and string. Now, as to the connection of the prisoners with the affair, about three o'clock on the morning in question a Chinese constable saw a man running from the direction of the School. He arrested the man and took him back to the School, where Miss Moore identified him by his clothes as the man with whom she had the rough-and-tumble. When arrested he had in his hands some tape and string precisely like that found on the verandah at the place where Miss Hawker was attacked. When taken to the police station and searched a packet of pepper was found in his possession; and it was well-known fact that Chinese robbers were in the habit of using pepper to throw in the eyes of their victims. From information given by this man to the police the second and third prisoners were afterwards arrested.

Evidence was called.

The jury, after an absence of about 15 minutes, found all the prisoners guilty as libelled, the first and second unanimously and the third by a majority of six to one.

Two previous convictions were put in against the second prisoner.

His Lordship sentenced the first and third prisoners each to seven years' hard labour and to receive a whipping of 20 strokes with the birch within the first week, and the second to eight years' hard labour and also to receive 20 strokes with the birch.

## ASSAULT AND ROBBERY.

Lui Kung Sang and Lo Li were charged with having committed assault and robbery at Shaukiwan West on 18th January.

They pleaded not guilty.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. C. C. Corlett, A. M. Barradas, R. B. Cooper, A. S. Gomes, Jr., W. P. Fiddepha, A. Forbes, and J. Lysgård.

Evidence was led to the effect that the complainant, a Chinese woman, was asleep in her room at Shaukiwan with her little son when three men entered. One of them held her by the throat, another gorged the boy, and the third took off the woman's jewelry. They then made off. Subsequently the complainant recognised the two prisoners in the market and gave them into custody.

The jury unanimously found the prisoners guilty as libelled.

His Lordship sentenced them each to four years' imprisonment with hard labour and to receive 20 strokes with the birch.

The Court adjourned till this forenoon at ten o'clock, when the Quarry Bay alleged murder case is down for trial.

Wednesday, 18th February.

## IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR A. G. WISE (PUSINE JUDGE).

TYING SHOP v. LAUTS, WEGENER AND CO.

The hearing was resumed of the case in which the Tying shop claimed from Messrs. Lauts, Wegener & Co. the sum of \$1,25, restricted to \$1,000, as damages for the non-delivery of 100 cases of beer, being part of 200 cases purchased by the plaintiffs from the defendants and paid for on 23rd June, 1902, the other portion of which, namely 100 cases, was taken delivery of by the plaintiffs on or about 30th June, 1902.

Mr. J. Hastings of Messrs. Deacon and Hastings, solicitors, appeared for the plaintiffs; and Mr. G. C. Master of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, solicitors, was for the defendants.

After hearing further argument, His Lordship gave judgment for the defendants with costs.

## LATE TELEGRAMS.

## NEWS VIA RANGOON.

## THE BALKANS.

London, 30th January,

A French Yellow-book on Macedonia just published shows that M. Delcassé urged Russia to put forward a proposal of administrative reforms, at the same time telling the Turkish Ambassador there was just time to save Macedonia for Turkey. Turkey asked England to warn the agitators in Bulgaria. Lord Lansdowne in reply declared that the Russian was the proper Power to apply to in the circumstances, but was unable to do so on account of the extreme pressure put upon her throat. While being thus assaulted she heard her teacher, Miss Hawker, calling for help. After a time the man who was holding Miss Skipton let go his hold of her throat. Thereupon the roused school children, who ran for assistance, then she went outside on to the verandah where Miss Hawker was. There was a man trying to come in over the balustrade but Miss Hawker pushed him back. At the same time Miss Skipton was awakened, Miss Hawker was awakened by a light in her room. She called out, and the light was extinguished. Then she heard Miss Skipton calling for assistance. She was proceeding to Miss Skipton's room when she met a man who seized her by the throat and threw her down. After a time he left. Meanwhile, one of the pupils, Anna-h Moore, who had been awakened along with the others, came out on to the verandah and saw a Chinaman on his hands and knees between Miss Skipton's and Miss Hawker's rooms. The young lady seized him, punched him, got hold of his cue; but she was not strong enough, and he got away. She had enough contact with him, however, to say he had a thick coat and a cap on. One of the prisoners, the second, had been formerly employed at the School as a cook's mate and knew the premises. When the ladies went downstairs they found that glass door in the dining-room had been broken, so as to make an aperture sufficiently large to permit of the entrance of the body of a man. A drawer in the dining-room table had been broken open and its contents were scattered about. There were marks of candle-grease and bloodstains about the place. On the verandah were found several pieces of tape and string. Now, as to the connection of the prisoners with the affair, about three o'clock on the morning in question a Chinese constable saw a man running from the direction of the School. He arrested the man and took him back to the School, where Miss Moore identified him by his clothes as the man with whom she had the rough-and-tumble. When arrested he had in his hands some tape and string precisely like that found on the verandah at the place where Miss Hawker was attacked. When taken to the police station and searched a packet of pepper was found in his possession; and it was well-known fact that Chinese robbers were in the habit of using pepper to throw in the eyes of their victims. From information given by this man to the police the second and third prisoners were afterwards arrested.

ALIEN IMMIGRATION.

London, 1st February.

The agitation in London for the exclusion of undesirable aliens is becoming exceedingly strong and many Peers and Commons, including several Liberals, are expressing approval of the movement.

## THE PEASENHALL MURDER.

London, 1st February.

Gardiner, the Sunday School preacher, who was charged with the murder of a girl in Suffolk, has been released, the Crown having entered a *nolle prosequi*.

## ARMY NEWS.

London, 2nd February.

An association has been formed to promote an official enquiry into the scarcity of food supply in the time of war. The Duke of Sutherland is the President and the Committee includes many Members of Parliament, forty Admirals, and representatives of the trades and employers' unions. An appeal has been published urging the Government to appoint a Royal Commission or Parliamentary Committee to investigate the matter.

## OBITUARY.

London, 2nd February.

Sir George Stokes is dead.

## THE MOROCCO CRISIS.

London, 2nd February.

The *Times* Madrid correspondent states that at the end of last summer M. Delcassé proposed to Lord Lansdowne that he should give France a free hand in dealing with Morocco territory except the coast line, France agreeing to recognise officially the British occupation of Egypt. Lord Lansdowne received the proposal not unfavourably, but other pressing affairs caused the postponement of further discussion.

The Sultan's victory was due to the treachery of the Beni Warier rebels who renounced the Pretender on the eve of the fight. On the morning of the 29th January, according to a preconcerted plan, they attacked the rear of the Pretender's camp, the Sultan assailing the front. The rebels fought stubbornly for three hours but eventually broke and fled. The rebellion seems to be collapsing.

## SOUTH AFRICA.

London, 3rd February.

Lord Onslow speaking at Glasgow announced there will be a prompt settlement of the claims for goods supplied to the Army in South Africa. The claims will be examined by Civil Boards assisted by Military officials. A sum equal to the estimated amount of the claims will be handed to Lord Milner by the Military authorities and Lord Milner shall settle that the revenues of the Transvaal shall bear any sum, it might be a million, paid in excess of that received from the Military.

## THE MISSION TO PERSIA.

London, 2nd February.

The Shah was invested with the Order of the Garter in the presence of the Persian prince and the British Legation staff. Lord Dufferin in his speech referred to the friendly relations of England and Persia and the King's deep interest in the welfare of the Persian monarch and people. The Shah in reply cordially asked after the King's health.

## IRISH AFFAIRS.

London, 3rd February.

The *Public Gazette* revokes the section of the Coercion Act in various proclaimed districts dealing with the summary jurisdiction of magistrates.

## CRICKET.

London, 1st February.

The Lancashire and Hampshire committee oppose the proposal to widen the wickets.

Allahabad, 3rd February.

The Oxford Authentics scored a very easy victory over an eleven of the United Provinces at Allahabad on Monday, winning by an innings and forty runs. Their next match will be against the Bihar Wanderers at Muzaffarpur.

## HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the thirty-fourth ordinary general meeting, to be held at the offices of the general manager, on Monday, the 2nd March, at noon:

The general manager and consulting committee have pleasure in submitting to the shareholders the thirty-fourth annual report of the Company.

1901 Account.—This account shows a profit of \$199,345.66, which sum, subject to the approval of the shareholders, is proposed to be distributed as follows, viz.:

Bonus to contributing shareholders \$1,894.69

Additional to reserve fund 19,920.00

Dividend of \$22.20 per share 178,000.00

\$199,315.46

1902 Account.—The balance at credit of this account is \$299,491.15.

Mortgages.—From the reports and valuations made by the Company's surveyors, the general manager and consulting committee are satisfied that the properties held by the Company form ample security for the advances made.

## CONSULTING COMMITTEE.

Mr. H. P. White having resigned, Mr. J. H. Lewis was nominated for the vacant seat, and this appointment requires the confirmation of shareholders. The present members, the Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G., Messrs. F. Macland, A. J. Raymond and J. H. Lewis, retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

## AUDITORS.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. W. Hatton Potts and R. Chatterton Wilcox, the latter having been appointed in place of Mr. Fullarton Henderson, who has left the Colony. The appointment requires the confirmation of shareholders and the re-election of Messrs. Potts and Wilcox is recommended.

JARDINE, MATHIAS & CO., General Managers, Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 18th February, 1903.

The accounts are as follows:—

## BALANCE SHEET, 31st December, 1902.

Dr. LIABILITIES. S. c.

Capital subscribed \$2,069,000.00

Amount paid up 499,000.00

Reserve fund 1,134,711.23

Uncollected dividends 11,705.23

Accrued payable 42,000.45

Working account, 1901 198,315.46

Working account, 1902 236,290.15

Amount brought forward from below 236,290.15

\$2,073,300.30

Cr. ASSETS. S. c.

Cash, on current account with Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation 7,348.89

Cash in hands of general manager 76.54

Fixed deposits:

Hongkong and Shanghai S. c.

Bank of India 25,000.00

Chartered Bank of India 50,000.00

Australia and China 10,000.00

Mercantile Bank of India, Limited 50,000.00

125,000.00

Mortgages:

In Hongkong \$1,244,220.37

In Shanghai 335,220.12

In Yokohama 23,725.39

1,603,365.88

Investments:

Chinese Imperial Government loan, 1886 \$31,562.00

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, debentures 60,000.00

Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited, debentures 27,586.30

Shanghai China Debentures 18,333.33

Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited, debentures 50,000.00

5 shares in the China Fire Insurance Co., Limited 375.00

182,706.62

Steam fire engines 500.00

Accounts receivable 146,112.37

\$1,087,300.30

WORKING ACCOUNT, 1902. S. c.

To losses and claims paid 210,889.93

To charges 436,176.24

To communication to consulting committee and auditors 4,750.00

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ALBERTO RIVERA.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [591]

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A RESPONSIBLE EUROPEAN FOREMAN of WORKS experienced in first-class Joinery and plastering. Good salary to a capable and steady man.

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Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [589]

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Orders sent to the above address will be promptly attended to.

Price, .... 10 Cents per Imperial Pint.

J. F. E. ROZARIO, Manager.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [587]

## FOR SALE.

"STONEHAVEN," ROBINSON ROAD, Nos. 6 and 10, ROBINSON ROAD, HOUSES in LEIGHTON HILL ROAD and CAINE ROAD.

AHMET RUMJAHN,

62 Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [585]

## EOTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the A EOTHEN MARK LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, on THURSDAY, the 26th FEBRUARY, at 5.30 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [586]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, for account of the CONCERNED,

ON

WEDNESDAY,

the 25th FEBRUARY, 1903, at 11 A.M., at Tsim-tsa-tsui, on Marine Lots 4 and 5. About 2,500 Tons CARDIFF COAL, Powell Duffryn's Mine, in good order and condition, in lots of 250 tons each.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [588]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI. THE Company's Steamship

HAILOONG.

Captain Gibson, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 21st inst., at 4 P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [590]

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FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS. Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns, at Kowloon, where the consignment will be sorted at Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo:—

From Persian Gulf, ex. B. I. S. N. and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s steamers.

Goods not cleared by the 25th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Goods for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [586]

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the ASSOCIATION will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, TO-DAY (FRIDAY), 20th FEBRUARY, at 5.30 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of passing the Accounts for 1902, electing a Committee and Officers for 1903, and to consider a proposal to amalgamate with the Army Rifle Association. Members are earnestly requested to attend.

M. S. NORTHCOTE,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [110]

## NOW ON SALE.

THE CURRENCY QUESTION.

## A FULL REPORT

OF THE MEETING OF THE MEMBERS

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE regarding the above question has been published as a SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT to the HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS.

Copies of the Supplement may be obtained for 10 Cents per copy Cash, or \$1 a dozen.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [578]

## AUCTIONS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction

TO-DAY (FRIDAY),

the 20th FEBRUARY, 1903, at NOON, at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street.

45 CWT ASSORTED FIREPROOF PAINTS;

10 Tons RED LEAD;

500 Casks CEMENT;

63 Dozen SILK HANDKERCHIEFS;

3 AERATED WATER MACHINES;

&c., &c., &c.

TERMS:—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [576]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the REGISTRAR, Supreme Court, to sell by Public Auction

TO-DAY (FRIDAY),

the 20th FEBRUARY, 1903, at NOON, at No. 6, MCDONNELL ROAD, Kowloon, Ground and First Floors; and Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10, AUSTIN ROAD, Kowloon, and First Floors.

THE GOODS AND CHATTELS OF

I. M. CASUO,

Comprising:—

Two IRON PRESSES, TILE MOULDS;

and A Quantity of TILES, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [572]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Captain G. C. ANDERSON to sell by Public Auction

TO-DAY (FRIDAY),

the 20th FEBRUARY, 1903, at 2.30 P.M., at "BILANDON" MOUNT KELLETT, THE PEAK.

THE WHOLE OF HIS

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising:—

ROSEWOOD, W.H.A. NOT, TEAKWOOD TABLES, OVERMANTLE, DOUBLE IRON and BRASS BEDSTEAD,

WASH-STANDS, LAMPS, WRITING TABLE and BOOKCASE, MATTAN FURNITURE, GLASSWARE, COOKING STOVE, PLANTS and PALMS in POTS, &c., &c.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1903. [522]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the OFFICIAL ADMINISTRATOR to sell by Public Auction, for account of the Estates of the late J. BRODIE, BARON VAN BOSCH, C. J. JACOBSEN, J. McCANN, A. R. H. Capt. MOONER, E. E. SMALLWOOD and J. BORROWDALE.

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY),

the 21st FEBRUARY, 1903, at 11 A.M., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

CEDARWOOD, STEEL TRUNKS, DRESSING CASE, CLOTHING BOOKS, UMBRELLAS, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [573]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Mr. DAVID WOOD, to sell by Public Auction

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY),

the 21st FEBRUARY, 1903, at 2.30 P.M., at No. 5, STEWART TERRACE, THE PEAK.

THE WHOLE OF HIS

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising:—

CAMPINGWOOD and STEEL TRUNKS, DRESSING CASE, CLOTHING BOOKS, UMBRELLAS, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1903. [573]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY),

the 21st FEBRUARY, 1903, at 2.30 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, Queen's Road.

A QUANTITY OF

LACES and EMBROIDERIES, SILKS,

BLouses and SHIRTS, CHILDREN'S CLOAKS, BOTS and SHOES, LADIES' DRESSES, MATERIALS, VELVETS,

CHINON, RUFFLES and BATS,

GENTLEMEN'S SUIT LENGTHS, SILK,

LETS, UNDERSHIRT, LACES, SCARFS,

SOCKS and FEATHER HAIR, &c., &c.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1903. [56]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON MONDAY,

the 23rd FEBRUARY, 1903, at 11 A.M., at the CENTRAL POLICE STATION, A QUANTITY OF SURPLUS STORES.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 19th February,

## NOTICES OF FIRMS

## NOTICE.

MR. W. F. CARY's connection with the CHINA MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, CEASES from this date.

LEFFERTS KNOX,  
District Manager,  
Hongkong, 18th February, 1903. [570]

## NOTICE.

MR. MORIS J. ISAAC has this day been appointed Manager for Canton of the CHINA MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

LEFFERTS KNOX,  
District Manager,  
Hongkong, 18th February, 1903. [571]

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the OFFICES of the Company, Queen's Buildings, New Plaza, on MONDAY, the 23rd FEBRUARY, 1903, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 23rd FEBRUARY, both days inclusive.

B. Order of the Board of Directors,  
GEO. A. CALDWELL,  
Acting Secretary,  
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1903. [420]

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, Limited, will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES in Bank Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 24th FEBRUARY, 1903, at 11 o'clock A.M., when the abridged Resolution, which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 7th February, 1903, will be submitted for confirmation as a special resolution.

That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following:

- (a) In Article 79 the word "nine" shall be substituted for the word "seven."
- (b) In Article 93 the words "nine thousand" shall be substituted for the words "seven thousand."

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
T. ARNOLD,  
Secretary,  
Hongkong, 7th February, 1903. [474]

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, Pedder's Street, on MONDAY, the 2nd day of MARCH, 1903, at 12 o'clock Noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1902, and the Report of the General Managers and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th February to the 2nd March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 9th February, 1903. [476]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 5th March, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 19th instant to the 5th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order,  
GEO. L. TOMLIN,  
Secretary,  
Hongkong, 6th February, 1903. [441]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Half-year ending 31st December, 1902, at the rate of One Pound and Ten Shillings, together with a Bonus of Ten Shillings Sterling per share of \$125, is PAYABLE on and after MONDAY, the 16th day of FEBRUARY current, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
J. R. M. SMITH,  
Chief Manager,  
Hongkong, 14th February, 1903. [558]

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE.

THE CERTIFICATE of 8 SHARES numbered 5882/5889, standing in the Register of this Company in the name of Late E. EBRAHIM, having been LOST, THIS IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Duplicate Certificate for the said 8 Shares will be issued one month hence and that the Original Certificate unproduced within that period will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1903. [425]

HIGH-CLASS CHRISTMAS CAKES, decorated ... from \$1.00  
Plain Christmas Cakes ... 60  
German Sand Cakes ... from \$1 to \$5.00  
Assorted Pastry Cakes ... per dozen 60  
Scotch Buns ... from 1.50  
Rresden Stollen ... 2.00  
Mince Pies ... per dozen 2.40  
Chicken and Ham Pies ... from 3.00  
Chicken and Ham Patties ... 2.40  
Game Pies ... from 5.00  
Christmas Puddings &c, to Order.  
Please apply to WEISMANN & CO., LTD.,  
Praya East; ANGLO-AMERICAN STORES,  
64, Elgin Road; or ROYAL AIRATED  
WATCH DEPOT, Ice House Street.  
Hongkong, 18th December, 1902. [417-1]

## CHESS NOTES.

## By X.Y.Z.

Though certain of the competitors in the local Chess Club's handicap tournament have made a good start with their games, a number have still to make a beginning. It is to be feared that this augurs rather a protracted contest.

The Monte Carlo tournament was to begin on the 6th inst. with the following entries:—Lasker, Tarrasch, Pillsbury, Maroczy, Schlechter, Burn, Teichmann, Marco, Mieses, Taubenhaus, Teichgräber, Schiffs, Delmar, and Col. Morian, a Parisian amateur. The list is exceptionally strong and only requires the addition of Jatowski (distinctly persona non grata at Monte Carlo, as we explained lately), Atkins, and Wolf and the omission of perhaps four of the included players to make it a representative gathering of first-class Chess Masters. But the presence of Lasker in opposition to the other cracks by itself would compensate for the absence of the three brilliant players missing. It is long now since Lasker has entered for an international tourney. He has been resting on his laurels, laying attention also to other subjects than chess.

The following description of Dr. Lasker engaged in blindfold chess is from a San Francisco paper.—The Doctor's position in playing these blindfolded games was rather peculiar. He has a slight, short figure, not more than 5 feet 6 inches, nor exceeding 140 pounds. His head is round and firm. His forehead is square and white, crowned with masses of the heaviest black hair. His face is pale, like one who had no blood, nor exercise. This slight, frail figure, clothed in conventional evening dress, curled himself up like a snake in a large armchair, and, with his head in his hand and his eyes closed, like one in abstraction or sleep, listened to the moves of the contestants announced and returned his replies almost instantly. If his opponents had moved as quickly as he did the five games would not have taken more than an hour.

Players not very far advanced in the game are frequently exhorted to "learn one or two openings and stick to them," but this advice may not unnaturally leave them a little puzzled. Suppose the comparative tyro to commence, for instance, by learning one of the 1 P—K 4, P—K 4 openings and to find himself faced by 1 P—Q 4; or suppose him to learn the French Defence and to have to proceed against 1 P—Q 4. It is obvious he must know more than "one or two," if he wishes to get on. Nevertheless the commonplace advice is good in so far as it recommends the learning of a few debuts well rather than the acquiring of a smattering of many. In any case the man who sits down to obtain a little knowledge of how to open the game of chess undertakes an extremely heavy task.

Talking of openings, in a recent article in the *World* on the fascinating game of billiards we read that "before you can become the slave of chess you must get some insight into the game, understand something about the openings, perhaps, and be able to guard against fool's mate." Personally we have always looked on "fool's mate" as one of the fictions of chess. It is really very hard to fall into it unless you remember how; and why nearly every beginner is shown how to do so we do not know. The same remark applies to "scholar's mate"—a more intricate absurdity.

Games at the odds of pawn and more are not perhaps what one would naturally look to for examples of pretty play. The following, however, which occurred at Vienna not long ago and the score of which we find in *Te Dej*, is a decided exception:—

(a) P—Q 4 is the better move. The text move merely hampers the action of his Q. (b) One of the tricks of the Pawn and more game; Black may sacrifice a second Pawn with impunity.

(c) Svalo'ing the bait. He had far better play 3 P—K 5.

(d) Kt—Kt 5 wins back the Pawn, but the text move is, apparently, stronger.

(e) 9 P—B 3, Kt—Kt 4; 10 P—Q R 4, &c., is the right play for White.

(f) If P—Kt 3 Black wins by P—K 5 (ch), &c.

(g) For, if B t. R, then Kt—B 7 (ch)!

(h) A remarkably pretty finish. If 19, B t. R, Kt—R (ch); 20, K t. R, B t. B; winning the remaining Rook, with a clear piece to the good.



## SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

EFFECTIVE RUST PREVENTION—ARSENIC AS ESSENTIAL TO LIFE—OLD TREES—SNOW PEAKS—SIGHT-DESTROYING DRUGS—OTHER SENSES THAN EYES—SEA BALLOONING—HOUSEHOLD METALS—THE OLD SNAKE PROBLEM AGAIN.

improbable; however, until proved by certain evidence.

Considering the dissociation of matter, M. Gustave Le Bon concludes that cathode rays, X-rays and all radio-activity are aspects of a new form of energy as common in nature as electricity or heat. A better acquaintance with the phenomena may show a connecting link between matter and energy.

## LIFE'S HAPPIEST PERIOD.

When an ancient Greek philosopher was asked which he considered was the happiest time in a man's life, he promptly selected the period between the ages of forty and forty-five. On being pressed for the reasons which induced him to make this selection, the philosopher added: "At forty a man, if he be intelligent, has lost his illusions, and looks upon the world as it is, not as he would like it to be. He is still young enough to partake of the pleasures of youth, yet has sufficient experience never to permit his heart to rule his head; is moderate in all things, and wisely shy of hazardous enterprises." On being further asked which he considered the happiest time in a woman's life, the philosopher paused a long while, and when at last he replied he professed his answer by asserting that this was the more difficult question of the two. Finally he said: "When a woman is too old to be called a girl, and not old enough to be called a woman without the word 'young' prefixed to it, I am unable to be more definite, for the differences among women are greater than the differences among men. The healthy young woman sees only the brightest side of life, and to her vision the future is filled with golden possibilities of which the mental anticipation is delightful."

In this pronouncement it will be noted that the wise old Greek uses the word "healthy" in a quinling sense. Omit that word and the sentence at once loses more than half its truth. Here is a case which will prove our statement. "From the age of nineteen until I completed my twenty-third year, I did not know what it was to be well for a single day," writes Mrs. R. H. Huntley, of 65, Ultimo Road, Ultimo, Sydney, N.S.W., under date 19th June, 1902. "But for Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup it is doubtful if I should be here to-day to describe my experiences. My ailment was chronic biliousness and dyspepsia. Words are inadequate to convey a conception of my sufferings during that miserable period. I was then a tailor's machinist, employed in that capacity by Messrs. Godferson & Smith, of the Royal Arcade, Sydney. Ordinary food was poison to me, and I was obliged to exist on soda-water, milk, plain biscuits, and dry toast. Even that fare would sometimes distress me to an intolerable degree. My skin turned yellow, my eyes sank and were surrounded by dark, hollow circles. I slept only by fits and starts, my slumbers being haunted and harassed by horrible dreams and nightmares. There was a dull continuous pain between my shoulder-blades and in my right side. I grew thinner and thinner, until I was reduced to mere skin and bone, and became so weak that I could hardly walk to my place of business. Often the noise of my sewing machine, and the close air of the workshop, would bring on a splitting headache that unnerved me. There were fits of retching and vomiting, which troubled me with great frequency. When there was nothing in the stomach to come up, I would retch and strain until I became exhausted and faint, when my work-mates would improvise a couch for me with their cloaks and jackets, and I would lie for hours unable to move. I was treated by three doctors; but I believed the medicines they prescribed irritated my stomach and did me more harm than good. After four years of misery I was persuaded to try what Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup could do for me, and within a few days began to mend at such a rate that everyone who knew me was amazed at the improvement in my condition. The vomiting ceased, the hue of health returned to my cheeks, my eyes brightened, and at the end of two months I was in every respect thoroughly cured."

It has been known for some years that sunlight in the ultra-violet rays a colour unknown to human eyes, and it is suggested that the presence of this colour, alone and in mixtures, doubtless transforms the whole aspect of nature. Other animals perceive vibrations that do not affect our ears, thus hearing sounds and melodies to which we are deaf. It is in the sense of smell, however, that many creatures surpass us, and this sense, so strikingly developed in dogs and some other mammals, is the most extraordinary endowment of insects. Amblyopia is sometimes due to substances used in certain occupations. Workers in lead and rubber become gradually affected from the fumes of lead and of carbon disulphide; hat-makers suffer through the vapour of wood alcohol used in the varnish; and employees in chemical factories have their vision impaired by the fumes of artificial essence of almonds—or nitro- or dinitro-benzene.

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## VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections, commanding from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "N", nearest Hongkong "L", midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "M", and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "K.W.", together with the number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.  
2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.

3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard.  
4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

INATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & BIG	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA GENOA	GLENROYLE	Brit. str.	—	T. Darke, R.N.R.	MCGREGOR BROS & GOW	On 25th inst.
LON. ON. &c. VIA PORTS OF CAL	BENGAL	Brit. str.	—	A. L. Valentini	P. & O. S. N. CO.	On 28th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	BANCA	Brit. str.	—	E. P. Martin, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. CO.	On 4th March, at Noon.
LONDON VIA GENOA	DIXON	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 7th March.
LONDON	MACHAON	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th March.
LONDON	GLAUCUS	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 31st March.
LONDON	PINSBURY	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 14th April.
LONDON	JASON	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 29th April.
LIVERPOOL	DALDANUS	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
LIVERPOOL VIA GENOA	KINTUCK	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 29th March.
MARSFIELD, LONDON & ANTWERP, V. S'PORE, &c.	SANKEI MARU	J. str.	—	W. Townsend	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Daylight.
MARSFIELD, LONDON & ANTWERP	OCEANIA	F. a. str.	—	Guignies	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 23rd inst., at 1 P.M.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CAL	PREDIUS	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 28th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	PREUSSEN	Ger. str.	—		MELCHERS & CO.	On 4th March, at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	C. FEED, LAELISZ	Ger. str.	2 m	E. Prehn	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 3rd March.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ANDALUSIA	Ger. str.	—	Fuchs	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 17th March.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	HAMBURG	Ger. str.	—	von Doehren	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 28th March.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	KONIGSBERG	Ger. str.	—	Kirchner	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 7th April.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	—	Mayer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st April.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SEHIMA	Ger. str.	—	Schmidt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 5th May.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAXONIA	Ger. str.	—	Brehmer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 10th May.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	KOREA	Brit. str.	—	Jager	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On or about 24th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	GHIBALTAR	Brit. str.	—	Pernitz	MELCHERS & CO.	On 24th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SHIMOSA	Brit. str.	—	D. Morris	SHEWAN, TOME & CO.	About 3rd March.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ARAB	Dan. str.	—	Gow	DODWELL & CO. LTD.	To-day, at 5 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	TARTAR	Brit. str.	2 m		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 25th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	EMPERESS OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	2 m		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 11th March, at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ACHILIS	Jap. str.	—	G. H. Butler	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 24th inst., at 4 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	IOU MARU	Jap. str.	—	W. M. Smith	DODWELL & CO. LIMITED	On 25th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SHAWNUIT	Jap. str.	—	Hollingsworth	PORTLAND & AMATTO S. S. CO.	On 27th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	INDIAPURA	Jap. str.	—	H. Fraser	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst., at 4 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	KASUGA MARU	Jap. str.	—	McArthur	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 5th March, at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	EMPIRE	Jap. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th March.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	CHANGSHA	Jap. str.	—		E. G. Andrews	On or about 21st inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	CANDIA	Jap. str.	—		P. & O. S. N. CO.	To-morrow, A.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	NANKIN	Jap. str.	—		Montford	On 21st inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	HOMBOY MARU	Jap. str.	—		T. Murai	On 27th inst., at Daylight.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	INABA MARU	Jap. str.	—		W. Bainbridge	On 5th March, at Daylight.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAVORIA	Ger. str.	—		Bebbenham	On 16th March.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	CHINOTU	Brit. str.	—		E. W. Haswell	On 27th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	KUMANO MARU	Jap. str.	—			To-morrow.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	NANCHANG	Brit. str.	—			About 21st inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	WHAMPOA	Brit. str.	—			On or about 22nd inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	EGEST SIMONS	Ger. str.	—			On 22nd inst., at Daylight.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	LEGNONOON	Ger. str.	—			About 28th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	VALETTA	Brit. str.	—			On 15th March, at Daylight.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SULLBERG	Ger. str.	—			On 22nd inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	DAIGI MARU	Jap. str.	—			On 23rd inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ASING MARU	Jap. str.	—			On 26th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	PAKHOU	Brit. str.	—			On 4th March.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	MAIDZURU MARU	Jap. str.	—			On 6th March.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	DEVAWONGSE	Brit. str.	—			On 24th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SHANTUNG	Brit. str.	—			On 24th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	TALES	Brit. str.	—			On 27th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	HA LOONG	Brit. str.	—			On 27th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ZAI-LO	Brit. str.	—			On 11th March.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	YUENSANG	Brit. str.	—			On 24th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	KUICHIANO	Brit. str.	—			
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ROHILIA MARU	Jap. str.	—			
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SUNGKANG	Brit. str.	—			
HAVRE & HAMBURG	RUBI	Brit. str.	—			
HAVRE & HAMBURG	KASUGA MARU	Jap. str.	—			
HAVRE & HAMBURG	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	—			
HAVRE & HAMBURG	NAMSONG	Brit. str.	—			
HAVRE & HAMBURG	KAGOSHIMA MARU	Jap. str.	—			

## SHIPPING.

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

## DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship

## "THALES."

Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 20th inst., at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1903. [549]

## M.S. DOLLAR STEAMSHIP COMPANY

## FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Company's Steamship

## "ARAB."

Captain Gow, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 20th inst., at 5 P.M.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for First Class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

ARNHOLD, KAKI, RG & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1903. [549]

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

## "YUENSANG."

Captain Rolfe, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 1st inst., at 3 P.M.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for First Class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 17th Feb. 1903. [550]

## IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIOGO AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Imperial German Mail Steamship

## "HAMBURG."

OF THE HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE, Captain E. Burmeister, due here with the outward German Mail about FRIDAY, the 20th inst., A.M., will leave for the above places about 24 hours after arrival.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1903. [550]

## HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

## S.S. "WING CHAI."

Captain T. Austin, R.N.R.

DAILY Departure from Hongkong to Macao at 8 A.M., from Macao to Hongkong at 2 P.M., Sunday included.

The Steamer stops running for one day TO-DAY (FRIDAY), the 20th inst.

1st Class fare (including cabin and servant), \$3; return ticket, \$3.

2nd Class, \$1.50; return ticket, \$2.50.

3rd Class, \$1.

Steerage, \$0.50.

Superior cabin accommodation.

Wharf in Hongkong, opposite Central Market; at Macao, C. M. S. N. Company's Wharf.

For Freight, &c., apply to

SAM WANG & CO., LTD.

81 Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1903. [592]

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Dardanus*, from Amoy 18th Feb., had fresh N.E. monsoon, fine and clear weather.

The British steamer *Nankia*, from Bombay and Singapore 11th Feb., had fresh to strong monsoon, squally off this coast.

The British steamer *Holloway*, from Swatow 18th Feb., had strong monsoon with slight haze. Vessels in Swatow—*Holloway*, *Geoff* and *Hong*.

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MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL AND FOR CONTINENT.

## OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"NESTOR"	On 20th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 23rd February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KINTUCK"	On 25th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 6th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PINGSUEY"	On 11th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OANFA"	On 21st March.

## HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON VIA GENOA	"DIOMED"	On 7th March.
LONDON	"MACHAON"	On 17th March.
LONDON	"GLAUCUS"	On 31st March.
LONDON	"PINGSUEY"	On 14th April.
LONDON	"JASON"	On 28th April.

## LIVERPOOL BERTH.

LIVERPOOL	(Taking Cargo at London Rates.)	TO SAIL
LIVERPOOL VIA GENOA	"DAEDANUS"	On 21st February.

## CONTINENTAL BERTH.

MARSEILLES and ANTWERP	"PYRMUS"	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES	"PYRMUS"	On 28th February.

## TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST POINTS, VIA	"ACHILLES"	On 24th February.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA		
The S.S. "NESTOR" left Singapore on the 14th inst., and is due here on the 20th inst.		
The S.S. "ACHILLES" left Singapore on the 17th inst., a.m., and is due here on the 23rd inst.		

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [10-12]

CHINA NAVIGATION CO.  
LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMOY	"DEVAWONGSE"	On 20th February.
SHANGHAI	"WHAMPOA"	On 21st February.
TIENTSIN	"NANCHANG"	On 23rd February.
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"KIUKIANG"	On 24th February.
FOOCHOW	"PAKHOI"	On 26th February.
MANILA	"SUNGKIANG"	On 27th February.
AMOY, SAMARANG and SOERABAYA	"SHANTUNG"	On 5th March.
MANILA	"CHANGSHA"	On 11th March.

THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE

The S.S. "SUNGKIANG" left Manila on the 16th inst., at 6 P.M., and is expected to arrive here on the morning of the 21st inst.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

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† Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand Ports and other Australian Ports.

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For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1903. [11]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA  
(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY).

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.  
STEAMERS. DESTINATIONS. SAILING DATES.

SANUKI MARU	W. Townsend	MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, SAID	SATURDAY, 21st Feb.
KAGOSHIMA MARU	K. Koti	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE at COLOMBO	TUESDAY, 24th Feb. at NOON.
BOMBAY MARU	T. Marui	MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 24th Feb. at NOON.
ITO MARU	C. H. Butler	VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE U.S.A., VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI	TUESDAY, 24th Feb. at 4 P.M.
INABA MARU	W. B. Bishbridge	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 27th Feb. at DAYLIGHT.
KUMANO MARU	E. W. Haswell	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 27th Feb. at NOON.
KASEGA MARU	H. Fraser	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE VIA MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND	FRIDAY, 27th Feb. at 4 P.M.
		TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	at 4 P.M.

Through Passenger Tickets issued to the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers. Round-the-World Tickets, also issued. Between Moji and Kobe, 1st and 2nd Class, through Passengers have the option of travelling by the Sanyo Railway.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailing, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Building First Floor, Chater Road.

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CHINA AND MANILA  
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STEAMSHIP	TONS.	CAPTAIN.	FOR	SAILING DATE.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila Direct.	On 20th Feb., at Noon.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila Direct.	On 27th Feb., at Noon.
DIAMANTE	1980	A. H. Notley		
PERLA	1980	J. McGinty		

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
GENERAL MANAGERS.

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Hongkong, 14th February, 1903.

THE RUSSIAN EAST ASIATIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR HAVRE, COPENHAGEN AND BALTIC PORTS.

THE Russian Steamer

"KORIA" will leave for the above ports on or about the 24th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MELCHERS &amp; CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1903. [456]

Agents.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1903. [456]

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## NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBS.

NEITHER the CAPTAIN, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crew of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

LOTIAH, Italian barque, A. M. Schiavino.

SHIMOSA, British s.s., E. A. Chapman—Doddwell &amp; Co., Ltd.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEE.

THE P. &amp; O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"BENGAL" FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND  
STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed

that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.

whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods

have left the Godowns, and all Goods undelivered

after the 22nd inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 1st prox., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are

to be left in the Godowns, where they will be

examined on the 22nd inst., at 11 A.M.

No Fire insurance will be effected by me in

any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns

for examination by the Consignee and the Company's representative at a appointed hour.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No

Claims will be admitted after the Goods have

left the Godowns.

This vessel brings on Cargo:

From London, &amp;c., ex s.s. Oceanus.

From Persian Gulf, ex B. I. S. N. and B. &amp; P. S. N. Co.'s Steamer.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless

instructions are given to the contrary before

2 P.M. TO-DAY, 13th inst.

Goods not cleared by the 20th inst., at 4 P.M.,

will be subject to rent.

No Fire insurance will be effected by me in

any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns

for examination by the Consignee and the Company's representative at a appointed hour.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No

Claims will be admitted after the Goods have

left the Godowns.

This vessel brings on Cargo:

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The Hamburg, with the German Mail of the 20th ult., left Singapore on Sunday, the 15th inst., p.m., and may be expected here to-day.  
The Ernest Simon, with the French Mail of the 23rd ult., left Saigon on Thursday, the 10th inst., at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 22nd inst. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 20th December.  
The Gaelic, with the American Mail, left Yokohama on Tuesday, the 17th inst., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 25th inst.

## MAILS WILL CLOSE.

## FOR

	PER.	DATE
Canton		
Hoihow and Haiphong		7.30 A.M.
Swatow		9.00 A.M.
Haiphong		9.00 A.M.
Manila		11.00 A.M.
Macao		11.00 A.M.
K'we		4.00 P.M.
Moji and Kobe		5.00 P.M.
Shanghai		5.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Colombo		5.00 P.M.
Namaco		5.00 P.M.
Can		5.00 P.M.
Hukodai and San Francisco		5.00 P.M.
Kobe		5.00 P.M.
Amoy and Manila		5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui		5.00 P.M.
Shanghai		5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui		5.00 P.M.
EUROPE, &c., India via Tunicorin.		10.00 A.M. Extra
(See Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra)		Postage 10 cents)

## OCEANIA

	PER.	DATE
Tientsin		11.00 A.M.
Bangkok		11.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta		11.00 A.M.
Manila, Cebu and Bohol		11.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and Seattle		11.00 A.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma		11.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, and Vancouver (B.C.)		11.00 A.M.
Foochow		11.00 A.M.
Manila		11.00 A.M.
HONGKONG, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, BOROLULU and SAN FRANCISCO		11.00 A.M.
(Supplementary mail or board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail.)		Extra Postage 10 cents)

## MANILA

	PER.	DATE
TO-DAY.		
Sale, Miscellaneous, No. 6, McDonnell Road.		
Messrs. Hughes & Hough, room.		
Sale, Paints, etc., Sales Rooms, Mr. Geo. P. Lamont, room.		
Sale, Household Furniture, Mount Kellett, Poole, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 2.30 p.m.		
Annual General Meeting of Hongkong Riding Association, Hongkong Hotel, 5.30 p.m.		
The Brong Comedy Co., Theatre Royal, 2 p.m.		
TO-MORROW.		
Sale, Goods and Effects, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 11 a.m.		
Sale, Household Furniture, No. 5, Stewart Terns, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 2.30 p.m.		
Sale, Clothing, Sales Rooms, Mr. V. I. Remedios, 2.30 p.m.		

## COMMERCIAL.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	19TH FEBRUARY.
ON LONDON.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	1.67
Bank Bills, on demand	1.67
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	1.67
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1.71
Credits, at 4 months' sight	1.71
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	1.71
ON PARIS.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	1.64
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2.03
ON GENEVA.—	
New Bank, on demand	1.60
Credit, 60 days sight	1.61
ON LIVERPOOL.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	1.61
Bank, on demand	1.62
ON CALIFORNIA.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	1.61
Bank, on demand	1.62
ON NEW YORK.—	
Bank, on demand	1.61
Credit, 30 days sight	1.61
ON YOKOHAMA.—	
On demand	57
ON MANILA.—	
Bank and demand	Par.
ON SINGAPORE.—	
Credit, 4 months	1 p.c. pm.
ON BALI.—	
Credit, 4 months	94
ON HADDO.—	
Credit, 4 months	1 p.c. pm.
ON SAKA.—	
Credit, 4 months	1 p.c. pm.
ON LONDON.—	
Credit, 4 months	67
CYBERON.—Bank's Buying Rate	51.70
CID LEAF, 100 lbs, per lb	36.60
B SILVER, p. r. m.	21
OPUM	
Quotations are—Allow 20c. to 1 cent.	
Malwa New	£690 to 1 per cent.
Malwa Old	£1030 to 1 per cent.
Malwa Olive	£1070 to 1 per cent.
Malwa V. Old	£1110 to 1 per cent.
Persian fine quality	£750 to 1 per cent.
Persian extra fine	— to —
Patna New	£104 to 1 per cent.
Patna Old	— to —
Bengal New	£10173 to 1 per cent.
Bengal Old	— to —

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Hamburg* left Singapore on the 15th inst., p.m., and may be expected here to-day.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M.M. steamer *Ernest Simon* left Saigon on the 19th inst., at 8 a.m., for this port, and may be expected here on the 22nd inst.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. steamer *Gaelic* left Yokohama for this port on the 17th inst., a.m., via Inland Sea.

THE T.K.K. steamer *Hongkong Maru* left San Francisco on the 5th inst. for this port.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-Chinese steamer *Singapore* left Calcutta for this port, via the Straits, on the 12th inst., and may be expected here on the 1st prox.

THE MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The P. & O. steamer *Indrapuri* arrived at Yokohama on the 5th inst.

The N.Y.K. steamer *Samui Maru* (European Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 17th inst.

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Hongkong, 25th July, 1903. [254]

## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 18th February.

COMPANY	Paid Up	Quotations
Hongkong & Shantung	\$125	£695, ex div. £100, 20s.
Nat'l. Bank of China	—	£221, buyers £223, sellers £211, sellers £211, buyers
A. Shares	—	£221, buyers £223, sellers £211, sellers
B. Shares	—	£221, buyers £223, sellers £211, sellers
Bell's Asbestos E. A.	—	£211, buyers
Campbell, Moore & Co.	—	£100, 20s.
China-Borneo Co. Ltd.	—	£100, 20s.
China Light and Power Co. Ltd.	—	£100, 20s.
China Prov. & M.	—	£100, 20s.
China Sugar	—	£100, 20s.
China Compania	—	£100, 20s.
A. Shambu, Ltd.	—	£100, 20s.
China-Peppermint Tobacco Co. Ltd.	—	£100, 20s.
Cotton Mills	—	£100, 20s.
Everard	—	£100, 20s.
International	—	£100, 20s.
Laou Kong Mow	—	£100, 20s.
Lochiel	—	£100, 20s.
Hongkong	—	£100, 20s.
Dairy Farm	—	£100, 20s.
Green Island Cement	—	£100, 20s.
H. & C. Bakery	—	£100, 20s.
Hongkong & G. Gas	—	£100, 20s.
Hongkong Electric	—	£100, 20s.
H. H. L. Tarnways	—	£100, 20s.
H. K. Steam Water	—	£100, 20s.
Hoong Kong Hotel	—	£100, 20s.
H. & K. Wharf & Co.	—	£100, 20s.
Hongkong Hope	—	£100, 20s.
H. & D. Dock	—	£100, 20s.
Insurance	—	£100, 20s.
Canton	—	£100, 20s.
China Fire	—	£100, 20s.
China Traders	—	£100, 20s.
Hongkong Fire	—	£100, 20s.
North China	—	£100, 20s.
Shants	—	£100, 20s.
Ums	—	£100, 20s.
Lungtau	—	£100, 20s.
and Building	—	£100, 20s.
Hongkong Land Inv.	—	£100, 20s.
Hutoplynes Estate	—	£100, 20s.
Arrowroot Land & B.	—	£100, 20s.
West Point Building	—	£100, 20s.
Luzon Sugar	—	£100, 20s.
Hongkong Inv. Co. Ltd.	—	£100, 20s.
Mining	—	£100, 20s.
Charbonnages	—	£100, 20s.
Co. Ltd.	—	£100, 20s.
Laou	—	£100, 20s.
Reindeer	—	£100, 20s.
Kauai	—	£100, 20s.
New Amoy Dock	—	£100, 20s.
Private Hotel, Macau	—	£100, 20s.
Lowell, Ltd.	—	£100, 20s.
Concerto Fratello, Ltd.	—	£100, 20s.
China and Manchuria	—	£100, 20s.
Douglas Steamer	—	£100, 20s.
Co., Ltd.	—	£100, 20s.
Indo-China S. N.	—	£100, 20s.
Leith Transport and Trading Co. Ltd.	—	£100, 20s.
Star Ferry	—	£100, 20s.
Lebanon Planting Co.	—	£100, 20s.
United Asbestos	—	£100, 20s.
Do.	—	£100, 20s.
Universal Trading Co., Ltd.	—	£100, 20s.
Watkins, Ltd.	—	£100, 20s.
Watson & Co., A. S.	—	£100, 20s.

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